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Utilisation of forest wasteland

258. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have launched a massive programme to gainfully utilise vast stretches of for est wasteland for growing palm and other plantation crops; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the programme indicating the hec tares of land to be utilised in each State with employment opportunities to the rural poor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMA-CHANDRAN); (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

देश में नदियों की गहराई का कम होना

259. डा० बापू कालदाते : क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि देश में बहुत सी नदियों की लगातार गहराई कम होती जा रही है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि नदियों में जल समाने की क्षमता कम हो जाने के कारण, बाढ़ का पानी आसपास के इलाकों में जबरदस्ती फैलकर तबाही मचा देता है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस स्थिति से निपटने के लिए सरकार क्या कदम उठाने का विचार रखती है ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मुल्लापल्ली रामचन्द्रन) : (क) से (घ) जानकारी एकत्र की जा रही है।

Production/consumption of fish in the country

260. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum and value of fish produced during each of the last three years in the country, species-wise; and

(b) the quantum and value of the fish consumed in the country during the said period, species-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMA-CHANDRAN); (a) A Statement detailing fish production during the last 3 years in respect of important species of marine and inland fish is attached.
(See below) The year-wise value of production is also indicated! in the statement.

(b) The quantum and value of fish consumed in the country during the above-mentioned period are as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Quantity (Tonnes)	Value
1988	29,64,398	3174.41
1989	34,03,623	3943.38
1990	34,93,099	5059.78

Statement

Quantum and Value of Fish production in India

(Prod. in tonnes)

SI. No.	Species	1988	1989	1990
1	*Marine Fisheries*			
	Harpodon Nehereus (Bombay duck) .	1,15,735	1,35,302	1,42,235
	Cat Fish.....	68,245	70,705	69,273
	Sciaenier (Croaker)	1,64,774	2,03,435	2,21,075
	Stromatieids (Butter Fish)	34,616	39,100	25,491
	Sardinella (Indian Oil Sardine)	2,27,981	2,73,285	2,67,278
	Engraulids (Enchovies).....	66,246	66,730	97 724
	Other clupeoids	60,740	63,115	56,163
	Rastrelliger Kanagurta (Indian Macherel)	66,680	1,55,648	1,22,209
	Elasmobranch (Sharks, Rays, Skates etc.)	73,540	66,281	51,230
	Decapods (Penaeid prawns, nonpenaeid prawns etc.)	1,58,293	2,26,119	2,51,795
	Cephalopods (Squids & Cuttle fish)	62,331	76,011	*f* 32,307
	Other Marine fishes	7,58,792	8,26,547	8,34,393
	Total Marine Fish Production . . .	18,57,973	22,02,278	22,20,173
	Value of total Marine Fish Production (Rs. in crores)	1690.75	1987.87	2980.99
2.	*Inland Fisheries*			
	Major Carps (Rohu, Mrigal, Catla Calbasu) .	6,06,059	6,68,714	7,77,923
	Common Carps	1,78,759	1,86,389	1,32,703
	Other Carps	1,13,080	88,311	4,94,545
	Other Inland Fish	3,68,807	"4,37,636	4,78,462
	Total Inland Fish Production	12,66,700	13,81,050	14,83,633
	Value of Inland Fish Production (Rs. in crores)	2146.30	2671,78	3075.42
	Grand total Fish Production (Marine+Inland) .	31,24,673	35,83,328	37,03,806
	Grand Total of value of Production (Rs. in crores)	3837.05	4658.85	6056. 41